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SUBJECT: NUCLEAR WEAPONS ISSUE

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1. IN REGARD TO QUESTIONS RAISED PARA 6 REFTTEL:

(A) USCG REGS CITED PARA NO. 3 REFTTEL REFER TO THE TRANSPORTATION OF MILITARY EXPLOSIVES AND HAZARDOUS MUNITIONS ON BOARD SHIPS. THESE REGULATIONS ALSO APPLY TO NAVAL VESSELS AND USNS SHIPS.

(B) X (ROMAN NUMERAL 10) B IS A CLASSIFICATION CODE FOR THE PURPOSES OF REGULATING STOWAGE. IT APPLIES TO EXPLOSIVES
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BOMB, MINES, TORPEDOES, AND OTHER WEAPONS WHICH ARE PACKED

TOGETHER WITH THEIR FUSSES. IT APPLIES TO BOTH NUCLEAR
AND CONVENTIONAL WEAPONS.

(C) QUOTE TCMD UNQUOTE STANDS FOR "TRANSPORT CONTROL
MOVEMENT DOCUMENT". WE CANNOT DETERMINE WHETHER TCMD OR
OTHER SHIPPING DOCUMENTS FOR SUBJECT VOYAGE ARE AVAILABLE
WITHOUT PRECISE DATES OF THIS VOYAGE.

2. DOD WEAPONS EXPERTS BELIEVE THAT NOMENCLATURE CITED
PARA 2 REFTEL (MINE AP) REFERS TO CONVENTIONAL ANTI-
PERSONNAL MINE. WITHOUT STUDY OF ACTUAL DOCUMENTS, HOW-
EVER, WE ARE UNABLE TO FURTHER IDENTIFY CARGO.

3. WHEN PASSING ABOVE INFORMATION TO FONOFF EMBASSY
SHOULD STATE THAT WHILE WE ARE SENSITIVE TO GOJ'S
OBLIGATION TO RESPOND TO INTERPELLATIONS IN DIET, ANSWERS
TO QUESTIONS SUCH AS THOSE RAISED REFTEL INVOLVE MANY MAN
HOURS OF RESEARCH BY CONCERNED ELEMENTS IN USG. WHEN
LEGITIMATE AND SUBSTANTIVE QUESTIONS ARE RAISED WE WILL
DO OUR BEST TO SUPPLY GOJ WITH RELEVANT INFORMATION, BUT
WE DO NOT HAVE THE RESOURCES TO RESEARCH EVERY DOCUMENT
THAT THE OPPOSITION POLITICAL PARTIES MAY PRODUCE IN THE
DIET. IN THE FUTURE, IF THE SITUATION IN YOUR JUDGEMENT
DICTATES, SUGGEST THE DOCUMENTS IN QUESTION BE OBTAINED
AND SENT BACK HERE FOR EXAMINATION. IN THIS WAY WE MAYBE
ABLE TO SUPPLY MORE FORTHCOMING ANSWERS. KISSINGER

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